

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE
DISTRICT OF PUERTO RICO**

IN THE MATTER OF:

ALL CRIMINAL CASES
BEFORE JUDGE S.E. CASELLAS

CASE MANAGEMENT

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STANDING ORDER

In order to expedite the trial, avoid multiplicity of time, efforts, and expenses in criminal cases, it is essential, to properly and orderly manage these cases, that the following procedure be followed:

1. No discovery motions shall be filed unless there is a demonstrable urgent need for a particular discovery motion, or otherwise ordered by the Court.
2. The Government shall disclose and make available to defendants all discoverable evidence under Rule 16, including Kyles, Brady and Giglio information. It shall be the continuing duty of the Government to disclose exculpatory evidence. At the same time, defendants shall provide reciprocal discovery under Rule 16(b). The parties are ordered to meet and confer in good faith to eliminate as many of the discovery disputes as possible without the necessity of Court intervention. See Local Rule 408.
3. The Government shall provide to the defendants and to the Court any evidence of defendant's uncharged misconduct which it intends to introduce at trial pursuant to Rule 404(b).
4. The Government shall proceed to instruct all its case agents to preserve rough notes. It shall be responsible for safekeeping either the originals or copies of the notes in case there is a need to have such notes examined by the Court.

5. In order to afford the defendants an opportunity to raise objections under Rule 12(b)(3), the Government shall give notice regarding its intention to use specified evidence at trial. A mere recitation of all discovery materials provided under Rule 16 is not enough. A designation of specific evidence is required.


6. At the status conference, a timetable shall be set for dispositive motions, including motions to suppress, final pretrial, change of plea motions, and jury instructions.

7. Upon designation of counsel--retained or court appointed,-- the Clerk or Magistrate Judge, as the case may be, shall serve counsel with copy of this order.

8. In multi-defendant cases, pretrial motions shall be referred to the Magistrate Judge designated by the Court, unless otherwise ordered.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

In San Juan, Puerto Rico this 10th day of October, 1997.


SALVADOR E. CASELLAS
United States District Judge